

6th November 1965] [Sri V. Ramaiah]

Similarly supplies to the Periyar New Extension area of Vaigai Reservoir Project was also postponed beyond 15th September as the minimum combined gross storage of 10,000 M.cft. in Periyar Reservoir, Periyar credit in Vaigai Reservoir and storage in tanks was not obtained.

In view of the fairly good inflows realised in Periyar and Vaigai Reservoirs in the second fortnight of October 1965, supplies are now being allowed to Periyar Ayacut for raising a short term crop from 26th October 1965 onwards.

As regards Vaigai Old Ayacut, it was found on inspection that supplies might be necessary for about 19,000 acres already under cultivation and for about 30,000 to 40,000 acres to be cultivated with seedlings already grown. Accordingly release for this ayacut was allowed from 15th October 1965 and this will be continued up to about 7th November 1965.

Every step has been taken by Government to distribute the available supplies to the maximum area, in spite of the fact that the South-West Monsoon has been a failure this year and worst on record.

V.—ANNOUNCEMENT.

(1) THE MADRAS GENERAL SALES TAX (THIRD AMENDMENT) BILL, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER: I have to announce to the House that the Governor has given his recommendation to the introduction in the Madras Legislative Assembly of the Madras General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1965.

VI.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS GENERAL SALES TAX (THIRD AMENDMENT) BILL, 1965.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move for leave to introduce the Madras General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER: The question is—

“That leave be granted for the introduction of the Madras General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1965.”

The motion was put and carried, and leave was granted.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: Sir, I introduce the Bill.

MR. SPEAKER: The Bill is introduced.